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CONTEXT

Kulen Mountain is part of Phnom Kulen National Park, located in Siem Reap province, 40 Km away from Angkor. It was an Angkorian capital from the early 9th century AD with several temples and later site such as angkorian hermit rock shelters. Most of them are accessible by trails only known to the villagers.

Today, the Kulen plateau is populated by more than 4900 inhabitants, distributed in ten villages. Most of the villagers are subsistence farmers cultivating cashew nut, threatening the park's biodiversity.

Isolated until recently, these villages are now accessible by road. To turn this into an opportunity, Archaeology & Development Foundation (ADF) has proposed to the Anlong Thom villagers to set up a Community based tourism Center (CBTC), so they can benefit directly from the tourism and the national park's environmental and historical assets.



Unique hiking experience to historical sites in the forest, while supporting Phnom Kulen villagers!



WHY ?

Phnom Kulen, the largest mountain range in Siem Reap province, is mostly known for the Preah Ang Thom reclining Buddha, the 1000 linga, and the large waterfall. The mountain is also the largest forested area in the province and at the origin of the entire regional watershed.

A better access the central part of the plateau offers now the possibility to visit hidden temples from the early 9th century capital, and later sites such as the hermits rock shelters and ponds.

In the framework of the ADF's alternative livelihood component for the Phnom Kulen villagers, the Anlong Thom CBTC constitutes a new source of incomes for villagers.

Thanks to HUMY's support and Terre Cambodge expertise, ADF is training these villagers to welcome you and to provide a unique experience in Phnom Kulen National Park.



The Anlong Thom CBTC is providing guided treks (half or full day) to the park's historical sites hidden in the forest. It also provides locally purchased lunchboxes with ecofriendly packaging for the visitors.

The tours bring additional incomes to the trained villagers employed as local guide, moto drivers for shorts transfers and cooks; and allow the maintenance of the center. These incomes constitute an alternative to destructive agriculture practices, deforestation and poaching in the national park.

By enjoying these trails, you are contributing to the Phnom Kulen park's protection and to the environnemental awareness of its population.

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